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SUBJECT: OVERFLIGHTS AND CRA RESTRICTIONS ON MILITARY AID TO TURKEY

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- 1. SUMMARY. GOC IN EFFECT CITING TURK OVERFLIGHTS AS VIOLATION OF CRA RESTRICTIONS ON MILITARY AID TO TURKEY. EMBASSY REQUESTS DEPARTMENT'S GUIDANCE. END SUMMARY.
- 2. FOLLOWING SEVERAL DAYS OF TURK MILITARY OVERFLIGHTS (REFTELS), PIO OCTOBER 19 DECLARED THAT GOVERNMENT HAD INFORMED AMERICAN EMBASSY OF ALL SUCH VIOLATIONS OF GOC AIRSPACE WHICH "UNDOUBTEDLY CONSTITUTE VIOLATIONS OF THE CEASE-FIRE." JUXTAPOSED WITH LEADING CONFIDENTIAL

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QUESTION, PIO REMARK STRONGLY IMPLIED THAT FLIGHTS ALSO CONTRAVENE

CRA "CONDITIONS" FOR CONTINUATION USG MILITARY AID TO TURKEY (REFFBIS TA 191034 NOTAL).

- 3. LOCAL GREEK PRESS HAS PICKED UP THEME THAT OVERFLIGHTS ARE VIOLATION OF CONGRESSIONAL INTENT.
- 4. COMMENT. GOC MOVING TO EXPLOIT CRA LANGUAGE IN EFFORT FORCE USG SERVE AS POLICEMAN FOR ALL TURK OPERATIONS ON ISLAND. GOC MAY WELL SEEK OUR FORMAL OPINION AS TO WHETHER OVERFLIGHTS VIOLATE CRA INTENT. IN ORDER TO MEET OBLIGATIONS IMPOSED ON EXECUTIVE BRANCH BY CRA, AND IN ORDER HANDLE POSSIBLE QUERY FROM GOC, EMBASSY WOULD APPRECIATE DEPARTMENT GUIDANCE ON WHETHER TURK OVERFLIGHTS VIOLATE CONDITIONS-- OBSERVANCE OF CEASEFIRE, NON-INCREASE OF FORCES ON CYPRUS, NON-TRANSFER OF US-SUPPLIED IMPLEMENTS OF WAR TO CYPRUS--DEFINED BY LEGISLATIVE HISTORY OF CRA (REF PARA 1, STATE 228897).
- 5. UNFICYP APPEARS SUPPORT GOC POSITION THAT OVERFLIGHTS VIOLATE CEASEFIRE. IN ABSENCE ANY FORMAL CEASEFIRE AGREEMENT, UNFICYP MONITORS A DE FACTO LINE WHICH GOC DOES NOT REPEAT NOT RECOGNIZE DE JURE. UNFICYP HAS PROTESTED ALL ACTIVITY (INCLUDING RECENT TURK OVERFLIGHTS) WHICH VIOLATES THAT LINE. END COMMENT
- 6. RE PARA 1, STATE 229637, WE PUZZLED BY REFERENCE TO "INCREASED MILITARY READINESS ON CYPRUS" IN ADDITION OVERFLIGHTS. WOULD APPRECIATE DETAILS.
- 7. DETAILS OF OCTOBER 19 21 OVERFLIGHTS BEING SUBMITTED USDAO CHANNEL. CRAWFORD

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